

VFC Update 6/16/16

Section 317 Policy Update

The 2016-2017 Section 317 policies have been updated and are effective July 1, 2016. Please share these new policies and forms with all immunization staff at your facility.

Adult 317 Policy:

As of July 1, 2016, Zoster vaccine may be administered to uninsured or underinsured adults who are 60 years of age or older. This vaccine has been added to the adult vaccine order and accountability form as well as the adult vaccine accountability tally sheet.

There is a change in the Adult 317 policy in paragraph three which states that an adult with any type of Medicare cannot be vaccinated with 317 funded vaccine unless that Medicare plan does not cover the vaccine. Previously, the only Medicare plan mentioned was Medicare Part B. This was changed for the reason that other Medicare plans may cover vaccines.

Pediatric 317 Policy:

The only update in the Pediatric 317 policy is clarification in wording in paragraph one to make it clearer regarding when a fully insured child may be vaccinated. (This is not a change in policy, just a clarification.)

Please see the updated 317 policies for more specific information. If you have any questions regarding these new policies, please contact Julie Boeckman at 573-751-6124.

Thank you for your dedication to the health of Missouri citizens.

